



CRUMPLED WRECKAGE: Four members of a Breedsville family perished Saturday when this pickup truck was struck by a Chesapeake and Ohio freight train at an Allegan county crossing. Photo

looks northbound. The pickup truck came to rest half a mile from point of impact. The 60-car train was traveling about 38 miles an hour. Deaths boosted county death toll to 7 for year so far. At left

above, one of victims is being removed from near tracks where impact hurled body. (Tom Renner photo)

Four Die At Allegan Crossing!

Breedsville Family's Pickup Truck Is Hit By Train

By TOM RENNER
South Haven Correspondent

PULLMAN—Four members of a rural Breedsville family were killed Saturday afternoon when a Chesapeake & Ohio (C&O) freight train struck their pickup truck near here.

Dead were Milford Eastman, 35, his wife, Mary 44, their daughter, Lora Jane, 7, and a foster daughter Susanna Shaff, 8, whom the Eastmans reportedly were in the process of adopting.

The fatalities raised to 7 the number of persons killed in traffic accidents in Allegan county this year.

It was the second multi-fatality accident involving a C&O train and a vehicle in Allegan county this year. Two Pullman sisters were killed in January when their car was struck at a crossing on 109th avenue near Pullman.

TRUCK SLOWS

Train engineer Cal Strong of Holland told state police from the South Haven post that the truck appeared to slow down as it approached the crossing, then picked up speed just before it crossed the tracks. The train struck the pickup truck, driven by Eastman, in the passenger door.

The engineer said he was using his light, whistle and bell as he approached the crossing. Police said the weather was clear and visibility good. The crossing is marked by cautionary railroad cross-arm signs.

The engineer said he applied his emergency brake as soon as he knew the truck was not going to stop, but that it took nearly half a mile before the train came to a stop. The 60-car train was southbound at about 38 miles an hour, Strong said.

Eastman and Miss Shaff were thrown from the truck approximately 460 feet from the crossing while Mrs. Eastman and the other child were crushed in the cab.

The victims were pronounced dead at the scene by Allegan county medical examiner J.D. Hays of Saugatuck.

The accident occurred about 4:10 p.m. where 56th street joins 102nd avenue in Lee township. The intersection is about four miles south of Pullman and two miles north of Grand Junction.

The C&O tracks run north and south of 56th street, but turn to the southeast and cross 56th street at the intersection of 56th and 102nd where the accident occurred.

The site is about 12 miles northeast of South Haven in the southwest corner of Allegan county.

SOUTH HAVEN EMPLOYEE

Milford Eastman, 35, Breedsville, was born April 3, 1935, in Berlamont, Mich., the son of



LORA JANE EASTMAN



SUSANNA SHAFF

John H. and Laura Stevens Eastman. He was a member of the Energy Lodge No. 509, IOOF of Pullman and had been employed at the Pullman Industries, South Haven.

Surviving are his parents of Pullman; five brothers, John L. of Breedsville, Mortie C. of Bravo, Oscar W. of Garden Grove, Calif., Clayton C. and Donald P., both of Pullman; three sisters, Mrs. George (Helen) Long and Mrs. William (Laura) Clifton, both of Bangor and Miss Laura "John" Eastman of Pullman.

His wife, Mary Jane, age 44, was born Nov. 3, 1926.

Daughter Lora Jane 7, was born Sept. 30, 1963, in South Haven and was a second grade

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Contract Approved At Ausco

Big Majority Of Workers Okay Terms

Some 1,200 employees of the Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co. voted overwhelmingly in favor of accepting terms of a new three-year work contract, at a mass meeting this morning at Shadowland ballroom, St. Joseph.

Ratification of the agreement that provides for a pay boost of 59 cents per hour over a three-year period put a sudden end to advance rumors that members of Local 793, United Auto Workers, would go on strike.

The old contract, covering some 1,400 workers at the St. Joseph, Riverside and Hartford plants of the firm, expired at midnight last night.

The first shift at the plants was closed this morning during the membership meeting.

BIG MAJORITY

Curtis Hartfield, president of the local, said a standing count vote showed over 95 per cent of the workers present in favor.

Hartfield said the 59-cent wage hike will be spread over a three-year period and will be implemented in five steps. The first part of the increase becomes effective today, he said.

He declined to give additional details of the terms immediately.

Charles A. Rogers, assistant director of Regional 1D of the United Auto Workers, said the agreement was a "good economic package".

Bruce Johnson was chief negotiator for the company.

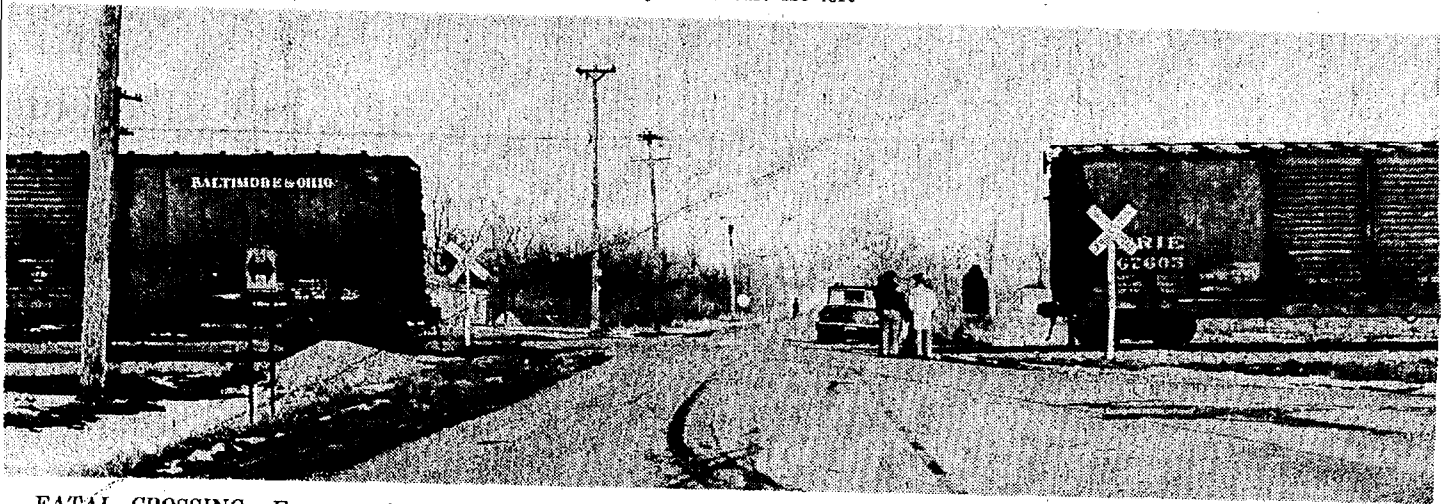
Homicides Still Soar In Detroit

DETROIT (AP) — Police report there were five homicides over the weekend in Detroit, bringing the violent death toll for the year to 156. That represents a 47 per cent increase over the homicide toll through the end of March last year.

Four of the victims apparently died following arguments with friend or relatives. The fifth victim was shot by a man who told police the victim was trying to rob him.

Phone Workers Are Meeting

WASHINGTON (AP) — Officials of the AFL-CIO Communications Workers Union begin a two-day meeting today to set bargaining goals and possible strike targets for nearly 500,000 telephone workers.



FATAL CROSSING: Four members of the Milford Eastman family died Saturday when their pickup truck was struck by a Chesapeake and Ohio freight train at this crossing in Allegan county. Photo looks in a westerly direction. The truck turned

from the road at the right (56th avenue) and into the path of the train. Scene was about two miles north of Grand Junction. (Tom Renner photo)

NEW LAW IS DEBATED

Ships, Boats Can't Dump Waste

By HUGH MORGAN
Associated Press Writer

DETROIT (AP) — In past sailing seasons, most pleasure and commercial ships that plied the Great Lakes emptied their sewage directly into the water.

A new law took effect this year in Michigan, but its power and effects will not be known until the lakes' icy crust melts and the spring shipping season begins.

The new law, providing a \$500 fine for violators, bans the discharge of sewage into waters. It applies to all vessels equip-

ped with marine toilets that either sail or are berthed on Michigan waters.

The law has drawn some opponents. Scott Elder, general counsel for the Great Lakes Carriers Association said "We are not quarreling with the objectives of Michigan. We don't think their approach accomplishes the objectives they are trying to achieve." Elder said Michigan is the only state to have such a law.

Bill Turney, assistant chief of the water quality division of the Michigan Water Resources Commission, said, "We don't feel in this day and age, you should be discharging raw waste into anybody's water."

The law approves only two types of pollution control devices. One is a holding tank system that retains waste on board for subsequent pumpout into approved onshore sewage treatment systems. The other is an incinerating device that reduces waste to ash, which must later be disposed of on land.

"I think it's one important aspect of our overall pollution control program," Turney said.

SEEN SHORTSIGHTED

However, Elder, who serves as counsel for the organization representing many domestic commercial carriers that travel the Great Lakes, said he was "very disturbed over the shortsighted position Michigan has taken."

The present treatment systems that had been placed on some vessels were "much superior" to the present sewage disposal systems on shore, he said.

"It's unrealistic," Elder contended. "They're requiring us to pump into municipal systems, which in turn are pumping it (after treatment) right back into the same waters we're navigating."

Elder said the cities, such as Detroit, have only primary treatment of their sewage, with the rest returned to the waters. He said 28 of the 194 commercial ships in the Great Lakes

fleet represented by the carriers association had been equipped with a type of primary and secondary sewage system, that returns treated matter to the wa-

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Squirrel Elected By Law Students

ANN ARBOR (AP)—The University of Michigan Lawyers Club's members may not have a practice yet, but next year they're going to have a good supply of nuts to carry them through the winter.

The club's 1,200 law-student members have elected a squirrel to their board of directors.

"Everybody thought it was a great joke, putting him on the ballot," one student said. "But then L. C. Squirrel was elected. I think it demonstrates a certain amount of cynicism on the part of Michigan law students."

The squirrel was properly nominated and his picture posted with that of the other candidates at the polling booth. He drew 184 votes.

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SECRET SHARERS?: A radiant Tricia Nixon and escort Eddie Cox stroll along New York's East End Avenue Sunday. Neither would comment when asked about plans to announce their engagement at a White House party Tuesday. If the announcement is made, it will confirm three-month-old rumors. (AP Wirephoto)



MR. AND MRS. MILFORD EASTMAN

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Editorial Page

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Take Reagan's Report, Governor Milliken

There was a sharp contrast last week between two approaches to what is universally acknowledged as the nation's "welfare mess."

California's Gov. Ronald Reagan unveiled a welfare reform program which he says can be a model for the nation. Its purpose, he said, is "to see how close you can come to make welfare eliminate the need for itself." The key to Reagan's reform proposal, in one word, is work. He wants a public work force for able-bodied welfare recipients who won't or can't get jobs or participate in job training projects. It would be something like the Depression era Works Progress Administration (WPA).

In Michigan, on the same day Reagan's reform program came out, a welfare study commission appointed by Gov. William Milliken recommended increased welfare benefits and much greater federal aid. The recommendations were made after more than a year of examining Michigan's welfare system.

If all the proposals of the study commission were adopted, Michigan's welfare budget would zoom to \$666 million next year, dissenters on the commission said. This year's state welfare expense is \$394 million, and Gov. Milliken's proposed budget for next year is already \$468 million. And these amounts represent only about half the cost of welfare in Michigan. The federal government pays an approximately equal amount each year.

It is little wonder that Benton Harbor's State Senator Charles Zollar dissented from the study commission report. As chairman of the Senate appropriations committee, he's been wrestling with

deficits and citizen tax protests most of the past year.

Since World War II, said Gov. Reagan, the nation's welfare system has grown tremendously but with no purpose. "It's just gone on treating the problem as if all they're supposed to do is perpetuate these people on the dole." He calls it "social tinkering" by those who dream of a totally unpoor society.

"I have no quarrel with the dream," Reagan said, "I just think that some of the dreamers were impractical. He believes his work program would have real purpose, with welfare recipients earning their monthly checks by performing useful work — in the environmental field, for example. "And I think, darn it," explained the California governor, "it's a spiritual benefit to the recipients who are human beings with the need to have pride, self-respect."

Northern industrial states that increase their welfare benefits will convert what has already become a crisis into a disaster. An influx from southern states paying lower welfare benefits has skyrocketed welfare costs in generous states like Michigan to prohibitive proportions. More benefits would simply add to the influx.

The same day that Reagan and the Michigan Welfare Study Commission made their reports, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) made one, too. HEW said that seven of the nation's 20 largest cities have more than one resident in 10 on welfare rolls. HEW Secretary Elliot L. Richardson said Wednesday "the figures starkly illustrate the plight of America's urban areas."

If Mr. Richardson thinks one in 10 is "stark," he should take a look at what's happened to some smaller urban areas. The City of Benton Harbor, for example, has somewhere between one in three and one in four of its residents on welfare.

The Berrien County Bureau of Social Services says there are 1,200 families on ADC in Benton Harbor. That represents from 4,000 to 4,800 individuals, adults and children. Besides that, there are recipients of other forms of public aid residing in the city. The city's population is 16,481.

The heads of 63 per cent of the ADC families in the Benton Harbor Area School district come from four southern states. Fewer than 18 per cent have lived in Michigan more than five years.

The city is busted, and the school district's in a perpetual turmoil.

The Michigan welfare study commission ought to junk its report and study Gov. Reagan's. This state is inviting financial ruin and social collapse if it increases welfare benefits until and unless Congress requires uniform welfare benefits throughout at least the 48 continental states.

Clown Is A Lady

Some of the more militant women's lib advocates may not be thrilled by the achievement, but the ladies have added another first to their sex's labor inroads. Two women have been the first of their sex to graduate from Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus' clown college and receive job contracts.

Female clowns are not unknown, but they are rare and almost always have been the wives of clowns or other circus performers. The two new recruits did it all on their own.

There was no Crusade for equality behind their determination. As one said, "I just have to be a clown. It means so much to me. I want the audience to go away laughing."

Spoken in the true spirit of the profession, the world could use more clowns. Learning to laugh simply for the enjoyment of it is good medicine for troubled minds.

Those who promote this art also contribute to making the world a little bit better.

Von Braun Cautions

Wernher von Braun has devoted most of his adult life to rocketry. His mastery of and enthusiasm for the science which has made space exploration possible probably reaches a higher zenith than that of any other person.

Von Braun makes no secret of his dedication to his profession. He is both a prime mover and supersalesman for the U. S. space program. Even after discounting his bias, however, he

still had something useful to say in an address to the American Bar Association concerning the future of American space adventures.

The space race, he said, has not been won and an overconfident or apathetic United States may again find itself lagging behind the Soviet Union "if we just sit back and rest on our laurels."

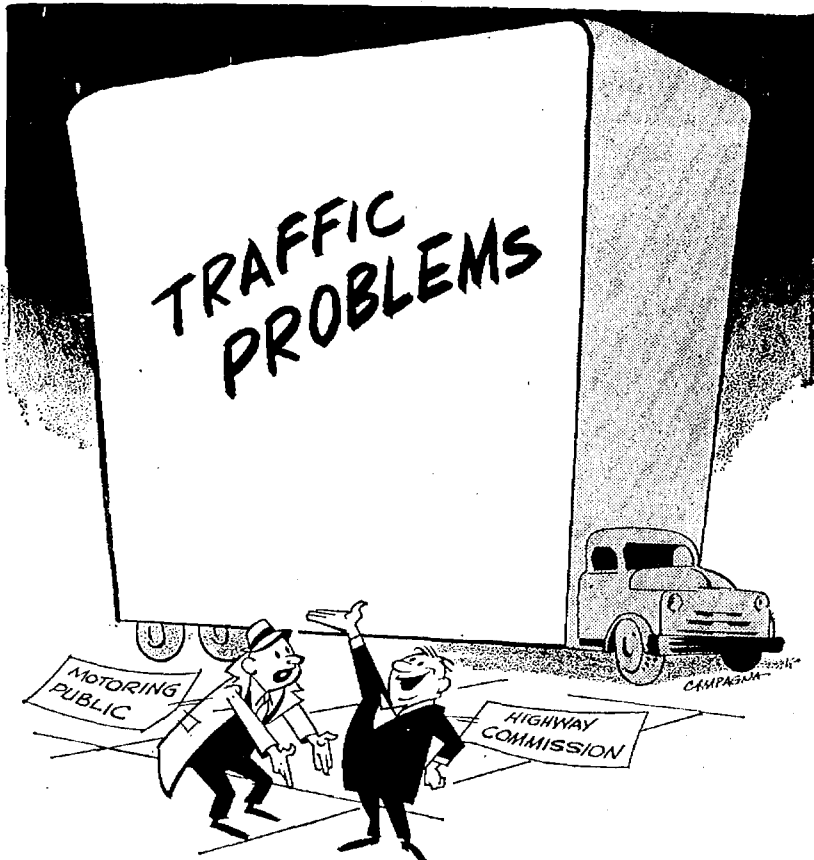
According to Von Braun, the Russians are spending twice as much money on space exploration as the United States, and have twice as many persons employed in their space program.

"Their program has more momentum than ours," he said. "While our program is declining, theirs is growing."

The point is that decisions affecting the future of the U. S. space program have largely been dictated by budget considerations. They ought to include an assessment of whether the United States cares if Moscow surges ahead in the exploration and control of outer space.

If the answer is no, and cutbacks are still in order, fine. But the country does not need more surprises, followed by hysterical response, such as the first Sputnik produced in 1957.

'But I Want A Compact Car!'



GLANCING BACKWARDS

APPLIES FOR SJ BRANCH

—1 Year Ago—
Joining in the revived fray among area financial institutions for new office locations is the Farmers & Merchants National Bank which is applying for a branch at St. Joseph.

The Benton Harbor institution has applied to the U.S. Comptroller of the Currency, the regulatory agency supervising a full scale branch office at the southwest corner of Hilltop road and Washington avenue, immediately adjacent to the St.

Joseph city limits.

OKAY MERGER OF BANKS

—10 Years Ago—
Stockholders of the Benton Harbor State bank and the Union State bank, of Buchanan, voted unanimously to merge the two units into what will be called the Inter-City Bank.

Subject to final approval of the Michigan banking department and several U.S. regulatory agencies, the target date for starting under the new banner is March 31.

TO ASK UNITY OF NATION

—20 Years Ago—
President Roosevelt, informed legislators said today, will tell the American people in his radio address tonight that he has no intention of weakening this country's fleet in order to help Britain and other nations under the \$7,000,000,000 lease-lend program.

These sources expressed belief that the chief executive would make a rather "definite statement" on the subject of releasing naval vessels and would assure the public that under no circumstances would the American navy be placed in an unbalanced state.

LEAVE FOR SCHOOL

—10 Years Ago—
Honoring Miss Ethel Kelbie, who is leaving Monday for New York city to attend Columbia university, Mrs. A. S. McCord, was hostess last night to a Birthday club of which Miss Kelbie is a member.

RETURN FROM SOUTH

—30 Years Ago—
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Casler and daughter, Marjorie, have returned from a several months' stay in Jacksonville, Fla., and have reopened their home on Broad street.

HE WAS ASLEEP

—80 Years Ago—
William Chest has recovered his pet woodchuck which disappeared several months ago. The animal had burrowed in the ground where it remained all winter and was just out taking a peak when it was recaptured and put in its cage.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

- 1 — In what city is Wilshire Boulevard?
- 2 — In what city is the Barbary Coast?
- 3 — In what city is the Grand Canal?
- 4 — In what city is the Back Bay?
- 5 — In what city is Prince's Street?

YOUR FUTURE

Another fortunate anniversary falls to you with probable gain. Today's child will be of very sound judgment.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

COMMENSURATE — (KEM-she-rit) — adjective; having a common measure or advisor; proportionate.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1938 the Merchant Marine Academy was established.

IT'S BEEN SAID

The rays of happiness, like those of light, are colorless when unbroken. — Longfellow.

BORN TODAY

In the current mood of debunking public leaders, it may seem to say that Andy Jackson, the hero of New Orleans, wasn't really so violent and irascible as partisan historians made him to be.

Even so, Andy Jackson is one of those few presidents who come to mind as men as big as the office they filled.

Jackson was born in 1767 in what is known as Waxhaw, S.C. After a turbulent boyhood as an orphan

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

Do the emotions play an important part in the process of digestion? I made this point to a group of friends and was astonished to find that they disagreed with me.

Mrs. Gr. R., Md. Dear Mrs. R.: As I have repeatedly written, there probably is no physical functioning of the body, in health or in illness, that is not intimately related to the emotions. If I had to choose one particular phase of body activity that is affected most by the stresses and strains of modern living, I would probably be digestion.

It has always been surprising to me that someone can gobble his food rapidly under stress and expect to thoroughly digest it without any physical distress. For this reason, I recommend learning the art of leisurely eating, even if it's only a sandwich for lunch.

Mealtime, unfortunately, has become the period when children are chastised for their behavior and when tense emotional problems are discussed. This invariably upsets the digestive tract and interferes with the true solution of family problems.

Moreover, heartburn, excess gas, belching and general discomfort can frequently be attributed to the emotions. Before this diagnosis is considered, however, a general physical examination must be made to rule out the possibility of an underlying disorder.

What does a pacemaker do when it is placed under the skin of a person with heart trouble? Does it have to be replaced? I have been advised to have one

but I don't believe in it. I'm in a dilemma.

Mr. K. J., Mich. Dear Mr. J.: A pacemaker is a lifesaving device and one that all doctors are enthusiastic about because it represents such an important scientific achievement.

This electronic device is implanted under the skin of the chest wall in order to maintain a regular heartbeat. Normal, healthy hearts have their own remarkable mechanism for keeping the heartbeat steady. When, because of some heart condition, this mechanism is thrown out of order, a pacemaker is used to electrically stimulate the heart muscle.

Working as it does on a battery, the instrument may have to be replaced to keep up its lifesaving properties.

I am certain that there was important justification for your doctor's decision to use a pacemaker in you. When you question its value because you "don't believe in it," you are inviting trouble. A pacemaker is not a religion or philosophy to be believed in.

You have no choice if you want to take advantage of one of this era's greatest scientific advances. Just believe in this concept. You will be benefited, and you will bless the day you followed your doctor's advice.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Never force brandy or other alcohol down the throat of anyone who has fainted.

Dr. Lester Coleman has prepared a special booklet for readers of the column entitled, "Pay Attention to Your Heart." For your copy, send 25 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed 6-cent stamped envelope to Lester L. Coleman, M.D., P.O. Box 5170, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017. Please mention the booklet by title.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 4 3 2
♥ K 6 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ K 3

WEST
♠ 10
♥ 7 5
♦ J
♣ J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4

EAST
♠ 9 7
♥ Q J 10 9 4
♦ K Q 10 9 5 2
♣ K Q J 6 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 6 5
♥ A 8 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ A 2

The bidding:
South 1 ♠ Pass North 3 ♠ Pass East 4 ♠

Opening lead — queen of clubs.

This extraordinary hand, vintage 1935, created quite a stir when it was first published many years ago.

Assume you're declarer and West leads the queen of clubs. The contract appears to be a lead pipe cinch, but when you play the king, East unexpectedly ruffs.

How would you play the hand from here on in, assuming that East leads the queen of hearts at trick two? You can take a

peek at all four hands, for whatever that's worth.

The contract can actually be made, but it takes quite a few odd doings. To start with, you must play the ace of clubs at trick one — even though you've just seen East ruff the king.

Then you win the heart return with the king, play a spade to your king, and cash the ace of hearts and ace of diamonds to produce this position:

North
♠ A 8 4 3
♥ 8 4
♦ 8 4
♣ 3

West
♠ J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4
♥ J 10 9
♦ K Q 10 9 5
♣ J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4

East
♠ J 10 9
♥ J 10 9
♦ K Q 10 9 5
♣ K Q 10 9 5

Now you lead a club, taken by West who has to return the suit. But, instead of ruffing it, you discard a heart from dummy and a diamond from your hand, thus handling the opposition its third defensive trick.

West, who has more clubs than he knows what to do with, plays still another one. This time you ruff in dummy, discarding your last diamond, and now have won miraculously made four spades.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

One of the most shattered characters in London today is a cynical, unsympathetic, vicious book reviewer on the town's most prestigious literary review. By mistake he was sent his own new novel to review and out of force of habit, he tore it to pieces!

The fantastic and immediate success of the movie version of "Love Story," with the radiant new star, Ali MacGraw in the leading role, has sent all the Hollywood producers previously interested in perversions and sexual excesses back to their larders to look for unproduced old-fashioned "Schmaltz," happy-ending romances that were gathering dust on the shelves of their manuscript departments. As one old-timer assayed the situation, "Maybe the audiences that many companies felt were no longer there have been there all the time — watching, maybe, the Lawrence Welk show and Lucille Ball. I don't think the romantic interest ever went away. WE went away!"

Others born today include Frankie Carle, Margaret Webster and McDonald Carey.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?
1 — Los Angeles.
2 — San Francisco.
3 — Venice.
4 — Boston.
5 — Edinburgh.

OVERHEARD:
In a supermarket: "I was really big-hearted this morning. I gave the town bum a five-dollar handout." "How generous! And what did your husband say to that?" "He said, 'Thank you.'"

Manager of a drive-in movie: "Hey, you two! Any more noise from this car and I'll TOW you out!"



At one time there were 78 instead of just 52 cards in a playing deck — Photographs. Glad that custom got lost in the shuffle

Seventy barrels of a famous brand French wine were sold at the "reduced price" of \$6.64 each. THAT'S a bargain! — Guilt!

WILLIAM RITT
You're Telling Me!

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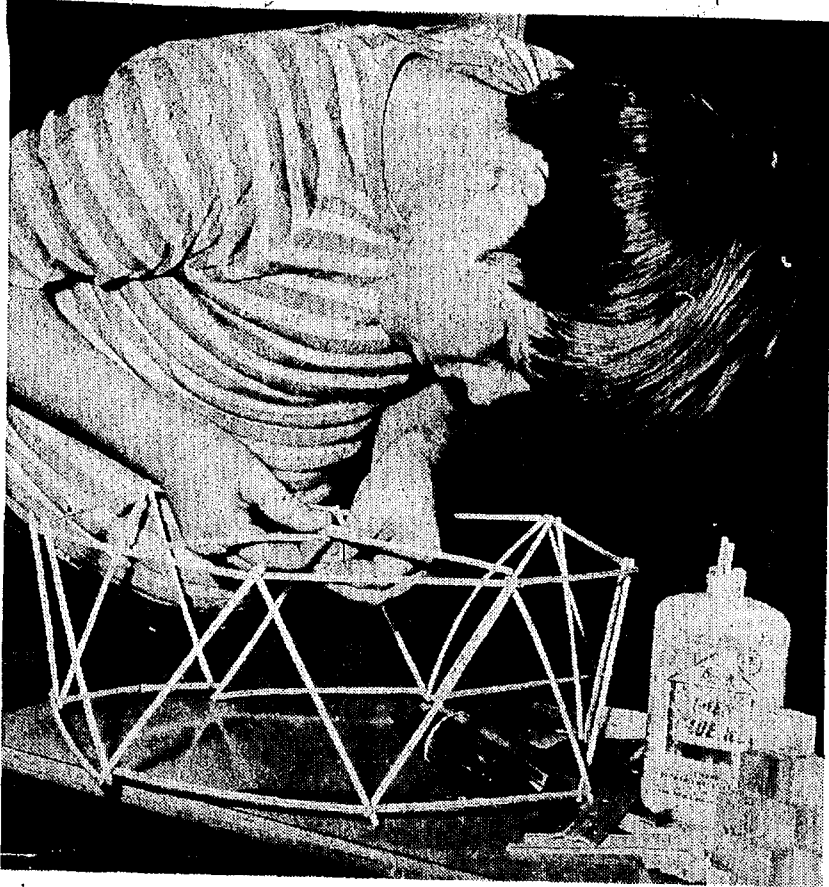
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LAD WITH A PROBLEM: Mark Tibbitts of Lincoln school, St. Joseph, is getting down to the last straw in constructing this geometric sphere at "Math-in" sponsored by Twin City Math Teachers association at Upton junior high, Saturday. More than 400 junior high students participated in math field day. Story on page 20. (Staff photo)

Fire Damages Well-Known Chickhaven

Fire badly damaged the interior of the widely known Chickhaven restaurant and bar, 2675 Niles road, St. Joseph township, early today. A couple living in an apartment above the tavern escaped without injury.

The fire caused damage to the upstairs, roof and barroom, according to Stanley Modelewski, Jr., owner. Damage was also caused by the ceiling caving in and from water sprayed on the fire.

St. Joseph township volunteer firemen were called to the tavern about 5 a.m. today, and departed after the fire had been extinguished about 8 a.m. Benton township firemen assisted. Modelewski said Mrs. Kenneth Ott, who lived above the tavern, smelled smoke and awakened her husband. The couple summoned Modelewski, who lives in a home behind the tavern.

PARTIALLY INSURED

Modelewski said he has been in business 11 years and was partially insured for fire loss. He had just remodeled the dining room, he said. Cause of the fire was not immediately determined.

Modelewski said the tavern will be closed at least four weeks so that the fire damage can be repaired. He had no idea as to what it would cost to repair, without an estimate from repairmen.

Chickhaven has been in operation at the same location since shortly after the end of Prohibition in the early 1930s.

Residents Raise 70% In Eaman

RIVERSIDE — Another \$6,000 has been pledged by former Eaman school district residents in their continuing effort to raise \$40,000 to pay for the Eaman school and property.

This brings total pledges to \$28,225, about 70 per cent. Eaman residents met Sunday night at the Hagar township hall in Riverside. Leader Louis Gelder issued this statement today:

"The residents of the former Eaman section of the Coloma Community Schools are engaged in a battle to save our children's education and our community. Sixty-six residents have pledged \$28,225 toward the \$40,000 purchase price on the Eaman school property. Any and all additional tax-deductible donations will be greatly appreciated. For further information, call Louis Gelder at 925-1790 or Ernest Albright at 925-9497."

Gelder said the group is striving for an April 1 deadline. All 180 Eaman owners are to be contacted concerning the fund drive.

The state has ordered Coloma schools to pay the Benton Harbor school district \$40,000 for the Eaman building and grounds. The former Eaman district was transferred to Coloma from Benton Harbor following a petition drive by Eaman residents.



TAVERN BURNS: St. Joseph township volunteer firefighters make effort to bring fire under control at Chickhaven restaurant and bar on Niles avenue early today. Fire caused considerable damage before flames were extinguished. (Staff photo)

Workers Returning To Continental Can

Production at the Continental Can Co. plant in Shoreham village, south of St. Joseph, is expected to be in full swing by the second shift tonight, after the company and United Steelworkers of America reached an agreement in New York City, ending a month-long strike.

L.C. Lander, manager of the local plant, said the plant would be "in full production" by tonight. The can factory has not operated since the union struck on Feb. 15. About 125 workers have been affected by the strike and should report to work when notified by their supervisors, according to Lander.

Union leaders of three major can manufacturers voted to end the strike and accept a three-year contract providing 75 cents more an hour in wages that had averaged \$3.80 an hour.

The walkout by 35,000 members of the United Steelworkers of America ended Sunday night when presidents of 125 union locals voted to accept a new contract with Continental Can Co., American Can Co., and Crown Cork & Seal Corp.

Cost-of-living, pension and fringe benefits provisions also were included in the pact with can manufacturers. Fifty cents an hour of the additional wages are to be added in the first year of the agreement.

In previous years, the settlements in the can industry have

set the pattern for workers in the steel, aluminum and copper industries. The last strike at Continental Can was in March 1965 and lasted 23 days. The strike began Feb. 15 after

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PASTOR HONORED: The Rev. W.E. Ellis (center), pastor of Pilgrim Rest Baptist church, Benton Harbor, for many years, was honored Sunday afternoon by members of his congregation and friends on occasion of his 79th birthday. Here the Rev. Ellis Hull, associate minister of the church, presents the guest of honor a clerical robe. Mrs. Ellis is at right. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Nixon Enjoys Fish Dinner

GRAND CAY, Bahamas (AP) — President Nixon enjoyed an ocean swim and a fish dinner featuring conch chowder on an overnight stay in the Bahamas Sunday.

Millburg Residents Will Meet

MILLBURG — All residents of the former Millburg school district are invited to a meeting Friday called by the Millburg Property Owners committee, which is trying to remove the area from the Benton Harbor school district.

Mrs. Jerry Ellis, member of the committee, said the meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Bainbridge Grange Hall. The committee's attorney, John Foley of Schoolcraft, will attend the meeting.

Mrs. Ellis said secession petitions will be available for interested persons to sign.

TOP RATING

BH Band Makes It 21 Straight

SOUTH HAVEN — Benton Harbor high school's symphony band received a Division I rating for the 21st straight year, under direction of Bernhard Kuschel, in district band festival judging.

Thirteen high school bands were entered in the festival Saturday at South Haven. Benton Harbor performed in Class AA. Other Division I ratings went to South Haven in Class A and River Valley, Class B.

Robert Boerma is music director at South Haven and Jeff Cole is music director at River Valley.

Bands with Division I ratings are eligible to compete in the state finals May 1.

Rankings in the festival are earned by performing to a standard of excellence as established by a panel of four judges with Division I the highest.

Other district ratings: Division II — Niles, Class AA; St. Joseph (Symphonic Band), Class A; Buchanan, Lakeshore; St. Joseph (Concert Band), Benton Harbor freshmen, and Coloma, Class B.

Division III — Cassopolis, Paw

Safe Boat Handling Course Set

The Coast Guard auxiliary of St. Joseph will conduct a four-session course in safe boat handling. The course is designed for beginners and as a review for old hands.

Classes will meet in the basement of St. Joseph Savings and Loan Co., 2701 South State street, at 7:30 p.m. March 16, 18, 23 and 25.

Subjects covered will be classifications of motor boats, trailer boating, aids to navigation, maneuvering, rules of the road and legal responsibilities. Coast Guard films will be used to supplement lectures.

There is no charge for the course.

Completes Training

Dennis C. Barker, Route 3, Benton Harbor, recently was graduated from DeVry Institute of Technology, Chicago, where he completed an electronics technician program. DeVry is one of the Bell & Howell schools, specializing in electronics.

Computer Speeds Diagnosis At Mercy

By RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer
Physicians at Mercy hospital in Benton Harbor are now able

to receive virtually instantaneous reports on blood tests through a central computer. They also can monitor all

movements of unborn babies and infuse intravenous medicines in patients automatically, without the aid of the familiar

stop watch.

These developments came about within the past two weeks because of the addition of three valuable pieces of equipment. They're called:

- Serum electrolyte consultation.
- Fairfield Fetone portable fetal blood flow detector.
- Ivac 560 pressure infusion pump.

Announcement of the new instruments was made by M.J. Kastner, manager of special services at Mercy hospital.

Kastner termed the electrolyte consultation a diagnostic aid to busy physicians, with results of tests made available while the patient is still in the hospital.

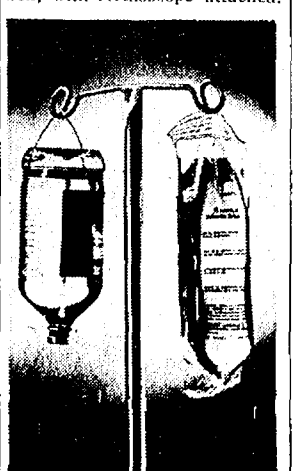
This instrument involves a teletype sending and receiving set, linked to a central computer in Kalamazoo. It's similar to sets used to obtain results of electrocardiograph tests, but the information received is more detailed.

Kastner said sending keys are used to transmit blood types and other items of information obtained in blood tests. What comes back is a full written report on causes of ailments, recommended treatments and scientific textbooks the answers come from, complete with authors' names.

The blood flow detector enables the earliest surveillance of

pregnancy (ten weeks) Kastner said, emphasizing that it has proved to be "of maximum benefit in developing sound treatment for suspected difficulties" of the unborn baby.

The instrument looks like a box, with stethoscope attached.



TRANSITION: The familiar glass bottle (left) holding intravenous solution, has been replaced at Mercy hospital with new-type plastic bottle (right) termed safer, easier to use and requiring less storage space.

Besides enabling the physician to learn possible defects through soundings, there are other benefits. These include early diagnosis of multiple births, such as twins or triplets; early location of placenta; and identification of umbilical cord blood flow, Kastner reported.

MOM CAN LISTEN

For the normally developing baby, there is still another advantage. Kastner said a second stethoscope attachment inside the box may be removed and handed to the mother, so she can be reassured by early movements.

The infusion pump is an adjunct of the familiar bottle of plasma, or other fluid, being fed into the patient, drop-by-drop. This pump can be adjusted to enable a fluid to enter the patient at rates of from 1 to 99 drops per minute. Once set, the rate of infusion is automatic. Progress does not have to be observed by an attendant who formerly checked the rate of flow with a stop watch.

The rate of flow used depends on the type of fluid being infused into the patient, Kastner said.

In still another change, Mercy hospital is replacing the familiar glass intravenous solution bottles with new-type plastic bags. These are reported safer and easier to use, while requiring less storage space.



COMPUTER SCIENCE: Calvin D. Marshall, director, of inhalation therapy, Mercy hospital, demonstrates teletype-computer system, used in consultation purposes for fast information on blood problems. (Staff photo)

Annual Meeting Set In Bainbridge Twp.

Larry Smith, Bainbridge township supervisor, said today the annual meeting of Bainbridge township is to be held Saturday, April 3 at 1 p.m. in the Bainbridge township hall. The final dog inoculation and licensing clinic for the year will be held March 20 at the Spinks Corners Fruit Exchange from 2-5 p.m. A veterinarian will be available to administer rabies vaccine and dog licenses will be sold.



TESTING TIME: Dr. R.C. Conybeare demonstrates with Miss Carol Johnson, a licensed practical nurse, new infusion pump (background) recently acquired by Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor. Pump automatically regulates rate of flow of intravenous fluids used on patients. Also in use is fetal blood flow detector (setting on bed) that enables detection of movements of unborn babies in early pregnancy stages. (Staff photo)

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Zollar Offers Bill To Help Cannerys

Legislators Disagree On Aid For Processors

By JACQUALINE KORONA
Associated Press Writer

LANSING (AP) — Michigan fruit and vegetable processors may be wiped out without state help...or are they milking the Legislature for a largely undeserved tax break?

It depends on which side you listen to.

Senate Appropriations Chairman Charles O. Zollar, R-Benton Harbor, says the industry is headed for "total annihilation if we don't find some way to help."

He and Rep. Malvin Destigter, R-Hudsonville, whose districts encompass some of the finest fruit producing acreage in Michigan, both introduced bills last week to exempt certain raw, in-process and processed foods from the state personal

property tax while they are helped by the processors.

"The crocodile tears don't sway me one bit because they're developed by highly paid lobbyists who serve their masters' wealth," declares Rep. Gerrit Hasper, D-Muskegon, No. 1 legislative foe of the so-called "cannery and packers bill."

"But I also am aware that 90 per cent are successful. And we can't put in a law that would favor those that are unsuccessful without giving benefits to those that are."

The identical House and Senate proposals remove cereal from the exemption—a stipulation presumably aimed at refusing a break to such giants as Gerber's of Fremont and Kellogg's, Post Division of General Foods and Ralston, all of Battle Creek.

Hasper contends such an exemption to an exemption is unconstitutional. Furthermore, he says, "to pass the bill now, in an era of closing loopholes, would be incongruous to say the least."

He also points out local units could lose hunks of income from such a property tax exemption—a factor Sen. Harry DeMaso, R-Battle Creek, hammered away on during Senate discussion of the bill last year. That measure never made it to the governor's desk.

Those on the other side argue, however, that the local governments stand to lose more if disgruntled and financial depressed processors pack up and leave Michigan.

"That might be a very strong possibility," says J.P. Dwan, general manager of the Musseman Michigan operation. He

says his firm, which operates one plant at St. Joseph and a second at Paw Paw, owns land at Hart which presumably was purchased for construction of a processing plant.

"There's no intention of doing that now," Dwan declares. He says the Michigan tax makes some processors \$100,000 underdogs against their competitors, "since no other state has such a tax."

Hasper says, however, that removal of the tax would be "highly discriminatory because other industries or mercantile operations holding products of nature don't get any such break."

The House and Senate will be deciding later this year which side they agree with.



LETTER CARRIERS MEET: Local, district, state and national officials of the National Association of Letter Carriers attended spring district meeting Saturday at Ramada inn, Benton township. Local Branch 560 of association was host to gathering. Pictured during meeting, left to right: Louis L.

Miller, program chairman; Edward B. Hall, president of Michigan State Association of Letter Carriers; John Swanson, an official of national organization and chief speaker at meeting; Don P. Mitchell, president of local branch. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Hartford Twp. Eyes 'Rock Ban'

Board Delays Vote On Law

HARTFORD — A proposed crowd control measure, recommended by the state in the wake of the Goose Lake rock festival last year, was held for further study Saturday by the Hartford township board.

The board delayed action pending a meeting Thursday of the Van Buren chapter of township and municipal officers where the proposal will be reviewed. The meeting is to be held in the Pine Grove township hall.

Under the proposal, crowds of 5,000 or more would be required to meet certain minimum sanitation facility requirements and permit regulations from local authorities.

The proposal stemmed from the festival where police reported widespread use of drugs and a lack of necessary sanitation facilities.

ADDITIONAL MATTERS In other action, the board reported it had adopted at a special meeting Feb. 18 a measure banning the storing of inoperable cars and household appliances in the open. Convicted violators would be subject to fines up to \$100 and/or 90 days in jail.

Supervisor Gerald Coon said the measure stemmed from complaints about junk cars and old refrigerators being scattered throughout the township.

NAMED TO BOARD Dr. H. L. Meachum, a board trustee, was appointed to a one-year term on the township's board of appeals.

The township's annual meeting was scheduled for April 3 from 1-8 p.m. in the township hall. Settlement day was set for March 23.

The Hartford school board, in a letter, asked that the township notify it of the township's official population by April 1 in connection with an application for funds for a proposed recreation program.

Dog Clinic Scheduled At Coloma

COLOMA — A combined Coloma city and township dog clinic has been tentatively scheduled for March 25 according to Roger Carter, township supervisor.

He said dog owners could obtain licenses and vaccinations for their pets at the clinic which will be held in the evening.

Last week's combined dog clinic licensed 250 dogs and was held at Carter's Farm Supply on Red Arrow highway.

Carter said licenses can be obtained for \$4 until March 31. After April 1 a penalty of \$5 per license will be added to the \$4 fee.

Chief Engineer Named For Clark Unit

BATTLE CREEK — James H. Snyder has been appointed chief engineer of the storage systems department of Clark Equipment Company's Industrial Truck Division at Battle Creek.

Snyder will be responsible for engineering and development of Clark automated storage systems and supporting equipment. He joined Clark in 1967 as senior design engineer at the industrial truck division. Prior to that, he had nearly 10 years' experience with the ordnance division of Honeywell, Hopkins, Minn.



TOKEN OF APPRECIATION: C. M. (Pete) Johnson (second from right) receives check from other members of Local 20 of Bricklayers union in appreciation of his 51 years of service as business agent for the local. Probably the oldest union leader, from the standpoint of service, in Twin Cities area, Johnson was honored at dinner Saturday night. From left to right: George Spencer, Joe Maisner, John Lodge, Johnson, and Lewis Lear. (Pete Mitchell photo)

Bricklayers Honor Former Union Chief

By RALPH LUTZ
Staff Writer

A veteran union officer met defeat last December for re-election to the business agent's post he held for 51 years, but his fellow bricklayers showed their appreciation for a job well done Saturday night.

Honored was C.M. (Pete) Johnson, 78, of 308 Marsh street, St. Joseph, former business agent and secretary-treasurer of the Bricklayers, Cement Masons and Plasterers Union, Local 20, covering Berrien and Cass counties.

Johnson last December lost in his bid for re-election to the dual posts, and was defeated by Joe Maisner of Cleveland avenue, St. Joseph.

Johnson, however, said he remains as fourth vice president of the international union's Michigan State conference.

TESTIMONIAL PARTY Union leaders and their families Saturday night honored Johnson and his wife, Elizabeth, with a testimonial party at Holiday Inn, Benton township.

From the state conference, Johnson was presented a gold trowel, mounted on a gold plate, which contained inscriptions denoting accounts of Johnson's career.

Johnson said he received a check from Local 20. Commenting on the December defeat, Johnson said Maisner is a good man and "just did more campaign over a longer period of time."

Johnson's own career began with apprenticeship training as a bricklayer in 1914. He earned his full membership union card in 1917 and assumed the business agent's post in 1919.

Johnson said he remained business agent until 1930 when he resigned for one year; again from 1931 until 1957, when he resigned for another year, and from 1958 until last December.

As to the December election, Johnson said it was close. "Something like three votes — I think it was 15 votes for me and 18 for Maisner."

What about a comeback next year? Johnson said he certainly couldn't say right now.

Johnson said he quit laying bricks in 1958, and since has geared his career to union duties.

life membership union card, denoting 50 years of service.

MEMORABLE HONOR

A long time Democrat, Johnson in 1963 received another memorable honor. This was an engraved card from then President and Mrs. John F. Kennedy. It wished Johnson and his wife, Elizabeth, a happy golden wedding anniversary and bore the statement from Kennedy, "We Democrats have to stick together." The card arrived about a month before Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Tex.

During his career, Johnson worked as a self-employed contractor and also for the former Henry Garlanger Construction Co. Mrs. Johnson is a daughter of the late Mr. Garlanger. Johnson said that while self-employed, he did basically small jobs on homes and business establishments, although some, like the former Janis hotel in South Haven, now demolished, were good-sized projects.

The Johnsons have seven sons, three daughters, 52 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren. One son, Joseph, has served in the U.S. Army for six years and now is stationed in New Mexico. The other sons are all bricklayers—Kenneth of St. Joseph; Robert of Grand Rapids; and Leo, Charles, William and Richard, all of Benton

Harbor. Daughters are Mrs. Pat (Alice) Frazee of Benton Harbor; and Mrs. Nick (Betty) Bazon, and Mrs. William (Deborah) Frantz, both of St. Joseph.

Division 1 Ratings Go To 5 Bands

NEW BUFFALO — Bands from New Buffalo, Marcellus, Hartford, Mattawan and Gobles received Division One ratings Saturday in competition for Class C-D bands held at the high school here.

The festival, sponsored by the Southwestern Michigan Band and Orchestra association, also attracted seven other bands.

The seven and their ratings are: Lawrence, Lawton, Berrien Springs and Decatur, all Division Two; Eau Claire and River Valley concert band, Division Three; and Bloomingdale, Division Four.

Division One winners are eligible to compete in state competitions for bands in their class scheduled for May 1 in Kalamazoo.

BERRIEN SPRINGS

Veterans' Service Agencies To Meet

Various agencies serving veterans' needs will hold a joint meeting, open to the public, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, in the American Legion hall, Berrien Springs, according to Cletus D. Spaulding, chairman, Berrien county veterans trust fund committee.

Emphasis will be placed on changes in administrative policies by each participating agency, particularly in helping veterans find jobs.

Besides the trust fund board of trustees, the session will include representatives of Berrien county board of commissioners, department of social services, the probate court, soldiers' relief commission and service organizations.

The veterans trust fund will mark its 25th anniversary June 30, said Spaulding. He said that because this group works with all federal, state and county agencies in carrying out over the state to exchange mutual information.

Spaulding said all interested persons may attend the Berrien Springs session.

Stephen E. Upton Named LMC Anniversary Chief

Stephen E. Upton of St. Joseph has been named chairman of the Silver Year committee, now being formed to plan and carry out activities marking the 25th anniversary of Lake Michigan college.

The anniversary celebration is

planned for this fall. The exact dates, however, have not been announced.

Upton, vice president of the consumer services division of Whirlpool corporation, said today that he accepted the invitation of the board of trustees of

the college "with pleasure, and great enthusiasm for the job ahead."

Lake Michigan college was founded as the Junior college of Benton Harbor and first opened its doors to 78 students who met at Benton Harbor high school in the evenings in 1946. Late Benton Harbor Schools Superintendent Sidney Mitchell was a prime mover in the establishment of the new college, which he saw as filling a need for low-cost, easily accessible higher education for returning veterans of World War II as well as others.

Since its start, the college has grown to more than 2,500 students today on both the Britain avenue and the new Napier avenue campuses.

Dean L. Kimmerly, chairman of the college board of trustees, today expressed "the great pleasure of the entire college family with Mr. Upton's decision to serve as Silver Year committee chairman. He is a distinguished community leader of proven insight and brings outstanding organizational talent, energy and enthusiasm to this important position."

Upton noted that his first step would be to "from, immediately, the nucleus of a widely representative Silver Year committee. The members of this committee," he said, "will represent every part of the district and virtually every interest within the district."

MEETING SET He announced that the first meeting of the committee would be at the Ramada Inn at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 23.

"This will be our organizing session," he said, "where we will clarify immediate and long-range goals, set up standing subcommittees and set the dates and discuss agenda for their first meetings."

This initial session will be followed immediately by a news conference at the same location to explain the structure and plans, introduce committee members and answer questions.

Upton, a native of St. Joseph, earned a B.B.A. degree from the University of Michigan in 1949. Before joining Whirlpool he was affiliated with Industrial Rubber Goods company of St. Joseph and with Morley Brothers of Saginaw.

He joined Whirlpool in April of 1955 as a district manager for laundry product sales. He held various positions of increasing importance in the sales organization until 1963, when he was appointed director of Customer Quality and Service.

Upton was elected vice president, consumer services division, in June of 1964.

He is chairman of the Parts and Service committee of the association of Home Appliance Manufacturers; a member of



STEPHEN E. UPTON

the Consumer Issues committee of the chamber of Commerce of the United States; a member of the board of the YMCA, Benton Harbor—St. Joseph; and president of the "Y" Uncles organization.

He is also a board member of the Michigan Children's Aid society, of Starr Commonwealth for Boys at Albion, and of the First Congregational church of St. Joseph.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Vial. The couple and their five children live at 3010 South Lake Shore drive, St. Joseph.

Hearing Set On Assault Charge

FENNVILLE — A rural Hamilton man is scheduled for a preliminary hearing in District court Thursday on a charge stemming from an alleged assault against a three-year-old child in December.

Larry A. Graves, 31, route 2, Hamilton, was being held in the Allegan county jail in lieu of \$10,000 bond following arraignment on a charge of aggravated assault Friday.

Sheriff's deputies said the arrest stemmed from a complaint filed by relatives of the child in January.

DR. MARSHALL DIES

ANN ARBOR (AP) — Dr. Mark Marshall, last surviving member of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's original medical staff, died Friday in Ann Arbor at the age of 91. Marshall, who retired in 1965, died in the hospital he helped found.

Girls Can Join Explorer Scouting

Teenage girls, beginning next month, will be admitted to the exploring division of the Boy Scouts of America, according to Robert S. Chockley, exploring executive, Southwestern Michigan Boy Scout Council.

Chockley said the Exploring division is the high school-age program of the Boy Scouts, emphasizing that the girls are not becoming Scouts.

Chockley said Exploring is a division of the Boy Scouts of America, which has two other programs—Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting.

Until January, 1970, Exploring has been an all-male program, Chockley said. He said Exploring began a one-year trial of admitting young women to participate. The trial run worked and the national Boy Scouts of America executive board ruled that starting in April, girls may become full-fledged members. Adult women volunteers also may act in leadership capacities.

Chockley said the purpose of Exploring is to meet interests and needs of today's high school-age youths.